CONTENTS

Volume 7, Issue Nos 1–8

Issue No. 1 February 1998

GUEST EDITORIAL
Some Reflections on Cost-effectiveness Analysis: M. Johannesson and D. Meltzer 1

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Colorectal Cancer Screening: Efficiency and Effectiveness: D. Gyrd-Hansen, J. Søgaard and O. Kronborg 9

Faecal Occult Blood Screening for Colorectal Cancer: Is it Cost-effective? D. K. Whynes, A. R. Neilson, A. R. Walker and J. D. Hardcastle 21

Willingness to Pay for Hormone Replacement Therapy: N. Zethraeus 31

Health Economic Assessment of Behavioural Rehabilitation in Chronic Low Back Pain: A Randomised Clinical Trial: M. E. Goossens, M. P. Rutten-van Molken, A. M. Kole Snijders, J. W. Vlaeyen, G. van Breukelen and R. Leidl 39

HOSPITAL PERFORMANCE
Casemix-based Funding of Northern Territory Public Hospitals: Adjusting for Severity and Socio-economic Variations: C. Beaver, Y. Zhao, S. McDermid and D. Hindle 53

HEALTH CARE FINANCING
The Effect of Employment Status on Private Health Insurance Coverage: 1977 and 1987: S. L. Rhine and Y. Chu Ng 63

HEALTH ECONOMICS LETTER
The Economic Costs of Illicit Drug Use in Ontario, 1992: X. Xie, J. Rehm, E. Single, L. Robson and J. Paul 81

BOOK REVIEWS 87

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO REVIEWERS 91

Issue No. 2 March 1998

GUEST EDITORIALS
Towards the Equitably Efficient and Transparently Decidable Use of Public Funds in the Deep Blue Millennium: J. Dowie 93

From Competition to Co-operation: New Economic Relationships in the National Health Service: M. Goddard and R. Mannion 105

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Discounting Life-Years: Whither Time Preference? D. Gyrd-Hansen and J. Søgaard 121

The Cost-effectiveness of Preference-based Treatment Allocation: The Case of Hysterectomy Versus Endometrial Resection in the Treatment of Menorrhagia: M. Sculpher 129

Bootstrap Confidence Intervals for Cost-effectiveness Ratios: Some Simulation Results: M. Tambour and N. Zethraeus 143

Reduced Uncertainty as a Diagnostic Benefit: An Initial Assessment of Somatostatic Receptor Scintigraphy's Value in Detecting Distant Metastases of Carcinoid Liver Tumours: R. S. Woodward, M. A. Schnitzler and L. K. Kvols 149

HEALTH ECONOMICS LETTERS

Introduction to the Special Issue on Competition and Antitrust Policy in Health Care Markets: D. Haas-Wilson and M. Gaynor 161

Health Economics Research and Antitrust Enforcement: L. Silvia and R. F. Leibenluft 163

Emerging Issues in the Antitrust Definition of Healthcare Markets: D. Dranove and W. D. White 167

HMO Mergers and Medicare: The Antitrust Issues: R. Feldman and R. S. Given 171

Exclusive Contracts Between Hospitals and Physicians: The Antitrust Issues: H. E. Frech III and K. L. Danger 175

Physician Networks and their Implications for Competition in Health Care Markets: D. Haas-Wilson and M. Gaynor 179

BOOK REVIEW 183

CALL FOR PAPERS 185

Issue No. 3 May 1998

GUEST EDITORIAL

Competition in the NHS Internal Market: An Overview of its Effects on Hospital Prices and Costs: C. Propper and N. Söderlund 187

ECONOMIC EVALUATION

Volume Responses to Medicare Payment Reductions With Multiple Payers: A Test of the McGuire–Pauly Model: M. Tai-Seale, T. H. Rice and S. C. Stearns 199

Use of Economic Evaluation Guidelines: 2 Years' Experience in Canada: J. Baladi, D. Menon and N. Otten 221

ADDICTION

Drug Use, Drug Abuse, and Labour Market Outcomes: T. C. Buchmueller and S. H. Zuvekas 229

HOSPITAL PERFORMANCE

Effects of Selective Contracting on Hospital Efficiency, Costs and Accessibility: L. R. Mobley 247

Technical Efficiency in the Clinical Management of Critically Ill Patients: J. Puig-Junoy 263

BOOK REVIEWS 279

Issue No. 4 June 1998

GUEST EDITORIAL
Private Sector Health Reform in South Africa: A. M. Van Den Heever 281

HOSPITAL PERFORMANCE
An Econometric Study of Costs of Teaching and Research in Finnish Hospitals: M. Linna, U. Häkkinen and E. Linnakko 291

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Using the Person Trade-off Approach to Examine Differences Between Individual and Social Values: P. Dolan and C. Green . . . 307

Heath Care Contingent Valuation Studies: A Review and Classification of the Literature: A. Diener, B. O'Brien and A. Gafni 313

Sample Size Calculation in Economic Evaluations: M. J. Al, B. A. van Hout, B. C. Michel and F. F. H. Rutten 327

ECONOMICS OF HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS
Financing Health Services in Poland: New Evidence on Private Expenditures: M. Chawla, P. Berman and D. Kawiorska 337

PRODUCTION FUNCTIONS
Substitution of Physicians and Other Providers in Outpatient Mental Health Care: P. Deb and A. M. Holmes 347

Cost Efficiency, Factor Interchange and Technical Progress in US Specialized Hospital Pharmacies: A. Okunade and C. Suraratdecha 363

HEALTH ECONOMICS LETTER
Methodological Issues in the Application of Conjoint Analysis in Health Care: M. Ryan, E. McIntosh and P. Shackley 373

Issue No. 5 August 1998

EDITORIAL
Guest Editors' Introduction: A. Jones and O. O'Donnell 379

ECONOMETRICS AND HEALTH ECONOMICS
Early Health-related Behaviours and their Impact on Later Life Chances: Evidence from the US: S. M. Burgess and C. Propper . . 381

Participation, Heterogeneity and Dynamics in Tobacco Consumption: Evidence from Cohort Data: S. Jiménez-Martín, J. M. Labeaga and A. López 401

Measuring Hospital Cost Efficiency with Panel Data Models: M. Linna 415

Unobserved Heterogeneity and Censoring in the Demand for Health Care: A. López-Nicolás 429

Controlling for the Endogeneity of Peer Substance Use on Adolescent Alcohol and Tobacco Use: E. C. Norton, R. C. Lindrooth and S. T. Ennett 439

The Efficient Organization of Blood Donation: M. M. van der Pol and J. A. Cairns 455

Risk Adjustment and the Trade-off Between Efficiency and Risk Selection: An Application of the Theory of Fair Compensation: E. Schokkaert, G. Dhaene and C. Van de Voorde 465

Issue No. 6 September 1998

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Estimating Country-Specific Cost-Effectiveness from Multinational Clinical Trials: R. J. Willke, H. A. Glick, D. Polsky and K. Schulman . 481

HEALTH CARE MANPOWER
More Physicians: Improved Availability or Induced Demand?: F. Carlsen and J. Grytten 495

ECONOMICS AND HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS
Price Elasticities of Demand for Curative Health Care with Control for Sample Selectivity on Endogenous Illness: An Analysis for Sri Lanka: J. S. Akin, D. K. Guilkey, P. L. Hutchinson and M. T. McIntosh 509

The Black Box of Health Care Expenditure Growth Determinants: P. P. Barros 533

Referral Rates and Waiting Lists: Some Empirical Evidence: J. A. Goddard and M. Tavakoli 545

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Economic Evaluation in Schistosomiasis: Valuation of Health States Preferences: J. Kirigia 551

LETTER TO THE EDITORS
Choice of Hospital: Comments on 'Global Budgets and Excess Demand for Hospital Care': N. Kalant 557

BOOK REVIEWS 561

Issue No. 7 November 1998

GUEST EDITORIAL
Medicine, Economics, Ethics and the NHS: A Clash of Cultures?: A. Williams 565

ECONOMICS OF PRIMARY CARE
Paying Patients to Comply: an Economic Analysis: A. Giuffrida and H. Gravelle 569

ECONOMIC EVALUATION
Discounting Costs and Effects: A Reconsideration: B. A. van Hout . 581

Magnetic Resonance Imaging for the Investigation of Knee Injuries: An Investigation of Preferences: S. Bryan, M. Buxton, R. Sheldon and A. Grant 595

An Investment Appraisal Approach to Clinical Trial Design: M. E. Backhouse 605

OUTCOME MEASUREMENT
On the Measurement of the Nation's Equity Adjusted Health: L. Lindholm and M. Rosén 621

COSTING METHODOLOGY
Resource Costing for Multinational Neurologic Clinical Trials: Methods and Results: K. Schulman, J. Burke, M. Drummond, L. Davies, P. Carlsson, J. Gruger, A. Harris, C. Lucioni, R. Gisbert, T. Llana, E. Tom, B. Bloom, R. Willke and H. Glick 629

The Impact of Ownership Type on Nursing Home Outcomes: W. D. Spector, T. M. Selden and J. W. Cohen 639

OBITUARY

Rachel Rosser: P. Kind 655

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Towards the Equitably Efficient and Transparently Decidable Use of Public Funds in the Deep Blue Millennium—A View from the Front Line: D. P. Kernick 657

Issue No. 8 December 1998

HEALTH CARE FINANCING

The Role of Government in Health Insurance Markets with Adverse Selection: R. Feldman, C. Escribano and L. Pellisé 659

Insurance Effects on U.S. Medical Spending (1960–1993): E. A. Peden and M. S. Freeland 671

ECONOMETRICS AND HEALTH ECONOMICS

Drinking Patterns Within Households: The Estimation and Interpretation of Individual and Group Variables: N. Rice and N. Sutton 689

COSTING METHODOLOGY

Estimation of a Multiproduct Cost Function for Physically Frail Older People: P. McNamee, B. A. Gregson, K. Wright, D. Buck, C. H. Bamford and J. Bond 701

ECONOMICS OF PRIMARY CARE

General Practitioners' Referral Thresholds and Choices of Referral Destination: an Experimental Study: S. C. Earwicker and D. K. Whynes 711

STUDENT CORNER

Confidence Intervals or Surfaces? Uncertainty on the Cost-effectiveness Plane: A. Briggs and P. Fenn 723

LETTER TO THE EDITORS

Letter to the Editors: M. T. Halpern, M. McKenna and J. Hutton 741

Author Index 743

Keyword Index 744

Volume Contents iii

Supplement 1 August 1998

EDITORIAL

Editors' Foreword: A. Maynard and C. Donaldson S1

UK HEALTH ECONOMISTS' STUDY GROUP

Primeval Health Economics in Britain: A Personal Retrospect of the Pre-HESG Period: A. Williams S3

From Private Club to Professional Network: An Economic History of the Health Economists' Study Group, 1972–1997: B. Croxson . . . S9

The Impact of Health Economics on Health Policy in England, and the Impact of Health Policy on Health Economics, 1972–1997: J. Hurst S47

Where are We Now in British Health Economics?: M. Blaug S63

US and UK Health Economics: Two Disciplines Separated by a Common Language?: J. P. Newhouse S79